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# Da Times.

Forecast for Saturday and Sunday:
Virginia-Partly cloudy Saturday; Sunday, fair, light south to west winds, becoming variable.
North Carolina-Fair Saturday and Sunday; variable winds.

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WEATHER FORECAST

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### RICHMOND. VA. SATURDAY. NOVEMBER 30 1901

### THE MAYOR WILL NOT APOLOGIZE

Will Not Retract Remarks About "Whitewashing"

#### THREE HOURS' SESSION

Most of Testimony Was as to Alleged Visit of Mr. McCarthy-

CROWD ATTENDS INVESTIGATION

There Were No Such Stormy Scenes as or Tuesday Night, but There Was Much to Interest the Speciators Until the Close of the Session-Adiourned Until Next Friday Night.

For three hours last night the special committee investigating the Epps case beard testimony as to whether or not Mr. Carlton McCarthy visited Mayor Taylor in his office on a certain day.

It is true that there were other mat ters touched upon, but nearly the whole time was consumed in seeking to establish the fact of whether or not Mr. Mc-Carthy was where he said he was not and where the Mayor stated he was on

Some evidence was presented bearing upon the delay in issuing the warrant for Epps 'arrest, and the course pursued by the police in trying to find the young man. But not one thing was said in ref-crence to the adoption of any method for preventing a recurrence of the irregulari-

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Mayor Taylor refused to apologize to the committee for his remark about "whitewashing." He emphatically declined to retract anything that he had

There were several hundred people at the City Hall, and the committee sat in the Council chamber. Some of the mem-bers of the Constitutional Convention to the Constitutional Convention were there, among them Hon, Joseph C. Wyser, Judge Timothy Rives, and Hon.

Robert W. Blair.
MR. M'CARTHY'S QUESTIONS. There were no highly sensational inci-dents, Mr. Carlton McCarthy, the city dents. Mr. Carlton McCarthy, the city accountant, who had been accused of collusion with Auditor Warren in aiding Epps to make his escape, acted as his lown counsel, and he proved himself to be a very shrewd attorney in examining witnesses. He got some of them considerably "nettled."

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The witnesses summoned by Mayor Taylor to prove that Mr. McCarthy was in his office the day he said he was not there contirmed what the Mayor had said, except that Mr. Cardozo would not swear that the gentleman who came in was Mr. McCarthy, but to the best of his knowledge and belief it was the City Accountable.

Judge Witt told of Mr. McCarthy's visit Judge Witt told of Mr. McCarthy's visit to him and said the City Accountant showed no disposition to shield Mr. Epps, but, on the contrary, appeared to be anxious to perform his duty. The Judge could not say that Mr. McCarthy/had denied in his presence having been to the denied in his presence having been to the Mayor's office on a certain date. He did hear the Accountant denying in emphatic terms everything the Mayor was saying.

but just what those things were the Judge could not recall.

Messrs. Knowles and Shelton heard Mr. McCarthy deny language attributed to him by the Mayor, but they did not understand him to say he was not in the

Mayor's office on the date in question.

Mr. McCarthy insisted that by the crossquestioning of the witnesses that his
denial of the compound question; "Didn't denial of the compound question; "Didn't you tell me in that reception room that you told Ceeil Epps that you would stand by him, right or wrong?" was a denial of both the alleged language and that he

was there.
But the witnesses could not see it that

MOTIVE OF OTHERS. MCCarthy atempted to prove that Mr. R. A. Williams, a clerk in the Auditor's office, might have been the man in the Mayor's office instead of himself. Bie also, by his line of questioning of the witnesses, appeared to be attempting to bring out the fact that the police might not have been over-zealous in their efforts arrest Epps because he was related by marriage with a brother of a member of the Board of Police Commissioners. INTENSE INTEREST SHOWN.

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The crowd began to gather in the committee-room by 7:30 o'clock. All the space was soon occupied, and there were persons out in the hallway. When Chairman Mills arrived, he decided to adjourn the investigation to the Council chamber, All the space in that room was soon occupied, and many people cound not get in. All of the five members of the investigating committee answered to their names.

Chairman Mills announced that no unparliamentary language would be permitted to be used by any witness, such as was used by some of the gentlemen at

THE MAYOR AND WHITEWASHING. The chairman then called on the Mayor to explain what he meant by the remark about the committee "whitewashing" about the committee "whitewashing" this affair. Before the Mayor could reply Mr. Gordon rose to a question of personal privilege, and stated that he had read in the Richmond Times an alleged interview with Mayor Taylor, in which he was reperted to have said that the so-called "whitewashing" remark was suggested by Mr. Gordon's remark that "he saw nothing wrong in that." Mr. Gordon stated that he had, during the testimony of Mr. McCarthy, when the witness had of Mr. McCarthy, when the witness had told about the sympathy expressed for Epps, said he "saw nothing wrong in

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trouble. Even when a murderer is led to the gallows there is an appeal that the Lord may have mercy on his soul." "I have nothing to add to what I have

said." replied Mayor Taylor.
"With what I have stated, the incident
is closed so far as I am concerned," said

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MIGHT HAVE CAUGHT HIM.
Chief of Police Howard was the first viness. He was asked about Mayor aylor's remark that the Chief could have arrested Epps had he been told of he alleged crime when Mr. McCarthy alled the Mayor up over the 'phone to eli His Honor that Mr. Warren wanted o see him. The Chief said Mr. McCarthy called the Mayor up about 5:50 P. M. Ie did not remember having made the remark attributed to the Mayor, but had said he could have arrested Epps, or have held him, if he had been informed. "Could you have arrested him if you had been informed at 5:30 o'clock that lay?" the Chief was asked.

"The chances would certainly have been setter," was the reply.
Captain Alex. Tomlinson, chief of the

Captain Alex, Tomlinson, chief of the letective force, testified that he had on the day after Epps' escape seen Mr. McCarthy in Mayor Taylor's reception room alking with His Honor. "I went in to see the Mayor about the warrant in the case. Mayor Taylor and Mr. McCarthy were talking; two are company, and three are a crowd, so I retired."

DECLINED TO ANSWER.

The second really sensational incident of the evening was when Captain Tom-linson was questioned as to the efforts o arrest Epps. He had heard that Epps o arrest Epis. He had heat that repaired has seed down Seventh Street toward the Union Depot at night on the day of the discovery of the irregularities. He was on his wheel.

"He could not have gone far on his heel?" asked Mr. Gordon. asked Mr. Gordon. "As far as the wheel could have carried

"Have you heard of Epps since that me?" asked Mr. Mills. "I decline to answer that question,"

said the detective. "As a party accused of collusion and as my own attorney, I demand that Captain Tomlinson be required to answer the question," said Mr. McCarthy.

"And I will decline to answer," said Captain Tomilnson. "I shall use every endeavor to make ou answer," said Mr. McCarthy. "You can't do it," reiterated the detec-

tive.

Mr. Pollyard said something about the City Council being able to force the detective to answer.

"The matter will certainly be reported to the Council," said Chairman Mills.

HAD A FRUITLESS HUNT. HAD A FRUITLESS HUNT.

The question then arose as to the exact nature of the question asked the detective. When Captain Tomlinson learned that he was not expected to give away detective secrets, but only to tell if he had heard of Epps since that time he agreed to answer. He had heard of Epps being in Chesterfield, near Forest Hill, but had falled to find him. He had later heard of Epps hunting in Chesterfield; he had gone hunting for him, but had not found him.

"Captain McCarthy asked the detective whom it was that he had talked with

whom it was that he had talked with about the alleged defect in the warrant

for the arrest of Epps.
"Well. I have sort of promised not to
tell." said the detective.
"But you must reply." answered Chairn Mills.

"Well, it was Mr. Charles Bosher," re-plied Capt. Tomlinson.
"What position does Mr. Rosher fill?" asked Mr. McCarthy "Oh, he is Police Commissioner," was the reply.

McCarthy brought out the fact that there are family connections be-tween some of Mr. Bosher's relatives

and Epos.
Capt. Tomlinson denied that Mr. E.
D. Starke was with Mr. Bosher, and
stated that he was the first person to
tell Mr. Bosher that a warrant was out
for the arrest of Mr. Epps. VISITED THE MAYOR'S OFFICE.

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### ASK CONGRESS FOR AN APPROPRIATION

#### ichmond's Claim for Now Federa' Bulling Will Be Presented and . Urged This Session.

Richmond will ask Congress at the approaching session for an appropriation for a new postoffice building, and also grant for the purpose of creeting an ddition to the present building, which s to be used until the proposed new

Federal building is completed. Postmaster Knight is confident the appropriations may be had if the matter s property presented, and this will cerbily be done. A committee from the number of Commerce has been appointed to take the matter up with Virginia's epresentatives, and the whole strength of her delegation will be behind the nove. The need of the building is apparent from the congested condition in arent from the congested condition in he postoffice department and the need f more commodious quarters for the inited States Courts. At the recent rm of the United States Circuit Court f Appeals the judges were open in their omplaint of the inconvenient and crowdd quarters assigned them and other officers of the court.
On the first floor, occupied by the

postoffice, the need is most evident. Here he departments of the office are crowd-d and jammed one into another, so that there is scarcely room for passage. In he rear of the office, the distributing deartment, the situation is even worse, and daily the business is increasing and imprecedented volumes of mail pour into

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### FAMOUS GATTIS-KILGORE SUIT

The Third Trial of Claim for Large Damages.

HISTORY OF THE CASE

Former Verdict Was for Twenty Thousand.

ABLEST COUNSEL IN THE STATE

All the Arguments Made Except the Closing Speech-The Suit is Against Dr. Ki.gore, B.N. Duke and W. R. O'Dell-Public Opinion is Not Again Looking for a Verdict for

Damages.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)

OXFORD, N. C., Nov. 29 .- Argument for the plaintiff in the Gattle vs. Kilgore damage suit was closed to-night by ex-Judge A. W. Graham, and there remains the closing argument by ex-Judge R. W. Winston and the charge by His Honor, Judge Shaw, before the jury will

The counsel who have spoken to-day are A. A. Hicks, Major W. A. Guthrie, and x-Judge A. W. Graham, for the plaintiff, and Adjutant-General B. S. Royster, for the defense. The plaintiff asks \$100.

FIRST VERDICT.

The first trial resulted in a verdict for \$20,000. The plaintiff, Rev. T. J. Gattis, was colportor for North and South Carolina Methodist Conferences, and attributes his business failure and injury to his Christian character to the publi-cations of the proceedings of the Kilgore Clark trial in 1898 before the Trinity College trustees in investigating the fitness of Dr. Kilgore for the presidency

The publications contained charges impeaching Gattis' character, hence the claim for damage.

CAUSE OF THE ACTION.

The trustees, having endorsed President Kilgore, deemed the publication justifi-able to refute the publication by Judge Clark and Gattis distructive of the use fulness of the college and the president's character. The suit is against President Kilgore

B. N. Duke, and W. R. Odell, members of the board. It is thought the verdict will be in by Saturday night. Public opinion seems to be that no damage will be granted.

### BENEDICTINE COLLEGE.

is Decided to Erect One in Sayannah, Georgia.

(By Associated Press.) SAVANNAH, GA., Nov. 29.—Rev. Father Moyssius returned to-day from Belmont, Aloyssus returned to-day from Bellion, N. C., where he met Right Rev. Leo Haid, Bishop of North Carolina, for the purpose of attending a chapter at St. Mary's College. The object of the chap-ter was to discuss the erection of a new Sacred Heart Church and also the found ing of a Benedictine College in Savannah. It was decided, said Father Aloyssius, that the college would be opened no later than next September. For the time being, it will be conducted in the Sacred Heart School Hall. It is the hope of Bishop Mr. C. A. Boyce testified that he was in | Haid to send four priests from Belmont as professors in the college. They wil Lo in no wise connected with the parish of the Sacred Heart, though they live with Father Aloyssius in the pas

terate.

The college's field will be North Carolina and Georgia.

### COLLEGE MATTER WAS UP.

Action Deferred a Year by Sou h Carolina Conference.

(B7 Associated Press.)
COLUMBIA, S. C., Nov. 29.—To-day the
South Carolina Conference elected W. R. Richardson, D. D., editor of the Southern Christian Advocate. The Columbia Fe-male College matter came up, but action on removing it to another site was de-ferred a year.

The election of delegates to the Cener-al Conference was started upon, but not

oncluded. At night there was for three hours a symposium of missionary ad-dresses by Bishop Caneler, Dr. Tarboux, of Brazil, and Dr. Labuth, missionary secretary. Bishop Candler's address was, perhaps, the finest of its kind ever heard in this Conference.

### Officers Hurt In the Philippines.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 29.—Adjutant-General Corbin to-day received the following cablegram from General Chaffee, dated Manila, November 28th: lee, dated Mania, November 28th;

"Lieutenants Feeter and Wetherill,
Nineteenth Regiment United States Infantry, badly wounded by bamboo spikes
in a pitfall near Carman Bohol—Feeter in foot; Wetherill in thigh. Operations necessary to extract sticks. Lieutenant necessary to extract sticks. Lieutenant Smith slightly hurt."

### COLON IN HANDS OF GOVERNMENT

#### Liberal Forces Have Been Completely Wipped Out by General Alban.

COLON, COL., Nov. 29-11 A. M.-The captains of the warships, with a large detachment of their respective forces, are now taking over the Government of Colon from the Liberals and will hand over the same later in the day to General Alban, commander of the Colombian Government forces. Everything is quiet and orderely here.

American escort. The town was quiet The report that the Colombian gunboat General Pinzon had landed troops at Kenny's Bluff has not yet been confirmed. General Francisco was wounded in the engagement at Buenay Vista.

Rebels Defeated. (By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., November 29.— The following cablegram was to-day re-ceived at the Navy Department from Cap-

ceived at the Navy Department from Cap-tain Perry, of the Iowa:
"Colon, Nov. 29, 1991.
"Arrangements for surrender to-day of Colon and Liberal forces have been com-

pleted."

A cablegram has been received at the State Department from Consul-General Gudger, Gated Panama, saying that the Liberals have been defeated and that the Government forces are in possession

### TERMS OF SURRENDER.

Life and Liberty of Soldiers Guaranteed by General Alban.

COLON, Nov. 29 .- The terms of surrender agreed upon at yesterday's conrender agreed upon at yesterday's conference held on board the United States gunboat Marietta, and, at which the commanding officers of the Marietta, of the British cruiser Tribune and of the French cruiser Suchet, Licutenant-Commander McCrea, of the Machias: Captain Perry, of the Iowa; Generals Alban and Jeffries, representing the government of Colombia and Seror De La Rosa, who represented the Liberal party, were present, are briefly as follows:

ly as follows "Senor De La Rosa agreed to surrender the Liberal soldiers now at Colon with their arms to Captain Perry at noon today; Captain Perry in his turn agreed to hand over these men and their arms later in the day to General Alban, who, in his turn, guaranteed life and liberty to all men recently in arms against the Conservativegovernment of Columbia. The surrender of the arms was to be bona-

fide in every respect." At half-past eleven o'clock this morning At land-past clean to the fackets and marines from the Marietta and the Machias landed at Colon and proceeded to the barracks. Here the arms belonging to the Liberal soldiers were taken over by the Americans in the presence of Captain Ferry, the commanders of the warships above mentioned, the American, British and French Consuls at Colon and a large concourse of people who sympa-thize with the Liberals in their sur-

Later in the day General Alban, accom panied by officials of the Conservative Government of Colombia, arrived here from Panama, and Senor de la Rosa, rep-resenting General Domingo Diaz, whose secretary he is, surrendered himself and the Liberal troops to the Conservative general in the presence of Captain Perry and the naval and consular officers above

mentioned. For years past the harbor of Colon has not been so crowded as it is to-day. Five men-of-war and several German, Italian and British merchant and passenger steamers, as well as other vessels, are in port. The men-of-war are moored to the wharves. The only flag bedecked ship wharves. The only flag beoccked ship the harbor is the Colombian Conservative gunboat General Pinzon. When General Alban received the surrender of the Liberals the Pinzon, blew a series noisy, quick and irregular nodes from her fog-horn, indicative of her joy at the proceedings. She is now lying quiet close the docks. General Alban is on board. The majority of the American marines and blue jackets have returned to their vessels. The Suchet has landed a detachwessels. The Suciet has land a decident ment of marines on the property of the French Canal Company. American marines are still guarding the piers and the railroad station. Over two hundred men entered the city with General Alban.

### PLAYERS REACH PHILADELPHIA

for Big Contest To-

(By Associated Press.)

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PHILADELPHIA, PA., Nov. 29.—The
foot-ball warriors of the West Point and
Annapolis Academies arrived here to-day
for their annual contest on the University of Pennsylvania's athletic field to-morrow of Pennsylvania's athletic field to-morrow. Nearly every train from the North, South and West that came in during the afternoon and evening brought scores of persons who, with the President of the United States, will watch the Cadets do battle on the gridiron. President Roosevelt and members of his Cabinet, accompanied by their wives, w., not arrive until shortly before the time for the beginning of the game, which is scheduled 107 2 o'clock.

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The largest crowd that has ever seen the army and navy clash in foot-ball is expected to be on Franklin field at the kick-off. A couple of inches of snow covers the scene to-night, and it is likely that the lot of the spectators will be a bit uncomfortable, as the snow is melting, which means damp grounds and wet seats. The playing field, however, is in splendid condition, the University authorities having taken the precaution of covering the ground with salt hay before the snow began falling.

The announcement that the President would be on hand had the effect of mak-

would be on hand had the effect of mak-ing the demand on tickets enormous. The 4,000 cards of admission were divided between the two Academies and the University, and distributed gratis by them. The Pennsylvania authorities alonthem. The Pennsylvania authorities alone were compelled to refuse 15,000 applicants, so great has been the demand. Notwithstanding all the precautions taken, hundreds of the pasteboards found their way into the hands of scalpers, who are selling them to night at fancy prices.

The outcome of the game seems to be a foregone conclusion, if the words of managers of the respective teams are a criterion. Cadet Porterfield, of the Navy, said: "We expect to lose, but hope to die

fighting."
Cadet Mitchell, of the Army, was more

cautious, saying: "The team is in good shape, and we intend to win, if possible, Two special trains will arrive at noor Two special trains will arrive at noon to-morrow from West Point, bringing about 400 cadets and several hundred followers. The Annapolis cadets, 300 in all, with a numerous following, will get in about, the same time. The cadets will return to their respective academies immediately after the game.

### Will Preach in Richmond.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)

CHESTER, VA., Nov. 29.—Rev. C. N.
Friend, of this place, will preach on Church Hill in Richmond, in the hall corner of Twenty-iifth and Broad Streets, at 3 P. M. Sunday afternoon, December 1st; subject: "The Inheritance of the coints": teyt Matt. 5:5 "Blessed Are Some insignificant fighting occurred at Bohlo yesterday morning, where the Liberals made a last stand. After the conference here yesterday General Alban returned to Panama under a strong

### REV. MR. ROBERTS CREATES A STIR

Rector of "Old Bruton" Church Makes Charges.

SENDS SPICY LETTER

Protests Against Dr. Tyler Being Put on State Board.

VESTRY DDMANDS WITHDRAWAL

A Resolution Was Adopted Making Thi Request and Declaring That They Do No. Sympathize With the Rector's Course-Subject of Much Comment in Convention Circles,

the Constitutional Convention or one of its members by Rev. W. T. Roberts, rector of historic old Bruton Church, in Williamsburg, protesting against Hon, Lyon G. Tyler, president of William and Mary College, being made a member of the proposed new State Board of Education, has created quite a stir.

The memorial, which has been kept as quiet as possible, has been the subject of much discussion and comment among members of the convention, and was made a matter of official action last night by the vestry of Bruton Church which, after a long session, adopted a resolution demanding its withdrawal and declaring that the vestry did not sympathize with the rector in the course he had pursued. SWEEPING IN CHARACTER.

Members of the convention seen by The Times writer last night were not disposed to discuss the memorial, at least not for This has cropped out several times in a way that attracted public notice. The charges made by the minister are

of a personal enaracter, and apply to two or more members of the Board of Visitors as well as to President Tyler, against whose designation as a member of the State Board the writer made vigorous protest. Friends of President Tyler were indignant at the letter, es-pecially at a suggestion made as to the possibility of his becoming in favor of mixed schools, and caused a copy of the communication to be sent to the vestry

THE VESTRY TAKES ACTION.

The attitude of the vestry and the sentiment of the people of Williamsburg are given in the following special to The

Times from Williamsburg:
"Considerable interest is evinced here in the fight being made on William and Mary College by Rev. W. L. Roberts, rec-tor of Bruton Church, although no great surprise is expressed, as Mr. Roberts has never maintained pleasant relations with the faculty personally, and on this ac-count the people here regard the present attack as an outgrowth of these personal

matters.

"They condemn the manner and spirit of the attack. These personal disagreements have occurred from time to time during the past six years, no two of them probably taking place during the them probably taking place during the probably taking place during the probably taking place of them springing. The Army and Navy Lads Ready been regarded as close friends of Mr. Roberts that he should have allowed per-

sonal matters to influence him to take such extreme action. "The vestry was in session to-night until after midnight, and strong speeches were made condemning the action of Rev. Roberts by Dr. Garrett, Senior Warden; Dr. P. T. Southall, Junior Warden, and Messrs. H. D. Coie and L. Heuley, Jr. A resolution was adopted demanding the withdrawal of the letter by Rev. Mr. Roberts and closing with this sentence: We, the vestry, do not sympathize with

"Late to-night a member of the vestry said Mr. Roberts would withdraw the

### RELATIONS SEVERED.

Confirmation Received of Rupture Between Colombia and Venezuela.

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 29.-The State Department has received confirma-tion of the notification from the Folom-bian Government to Venezuela that it has terminated diplomatic relations. came in the shape of a cablegram from Minister Hart. This action is the result of the hasty withdrawal last August from the Venezuelan capital of Dr. Rico, the Colombian minister there. Such a breach does not necessarily mean war, though it undoubtedly is a step in

## MR. SWANSON WILL OFFERAMENDMENT

Contemplated Change in Rules of House Will Make All Amenable

to a Majority. (By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 29.-Representative Swanson, of Virginia, has pre pared the following amendment to the rules of the House, which he proposes to offer if an opportunity presents itself:

"Whenever a bill, resolution or other matter has been referred to a committee, and the committee has failed to report on the same, and a majority of the members of the House shall sign a petition to said committee requesting it to report thereon, the committee to which said bill, resolu-tion or matter has been referred, shall report to the House upon such bill, resolation or matter within two weeks from presentation of said petition, and if the committee fails to report within said time, then it shall be intorder in the

House to move, at the end of such time, to discharge the committee from its further consideration, and proceed at once to a consideration of the same in the

"The petition herein provided for shall be presented to the Speaker, who shall refer it to the proper committee and have the same printed in the record of

refer it to the proper committee and have the same printed in the record of that day's proceedings."

Mr. Swanson says that he has received a number of assurances of support in any move to change the rules as outlined. The purpose of the amendment, he says, is to put it in the power of a majority of the rhouse to control passages in a regular and deliberate way, and to take from the Committee on Rules some of the absolute power it now possess of determining what legislation shall come before the House. Explaining the effect of the absolute power it now possesses of "Under this rule the business of the House would proceed as heretofore, except when a majority desired legislation, which it was prevented from having by the Speaker and e committees of the House. Under this rule a majority of the members would be enabled, in a regular way, after a reasonable time, to control the legislation of the House. The petition be ng printed in the Record, and the House making a public record of the action of members, would cause it not to be loosely nor thoughtlessy signe. Every committee of the House, rom the Committee on Rules down, and the Spiaker himself, would, under the rule, be un-

#### WREATH FOR HIS COMRADE.

President Sent One to Be Placed on Grave of Joseph Armistead Carr.

Committee on Rules down, and the Sp aker himself, would, under the rule, be under the control of a majority of the

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 29.-Presi-WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 23.—President Roosevelt sent a large floral tribute to-day to be iaid on the grave of Joseph Armstead Carr, late lieutenant of Proop D., of the Rough Riders, whose remains were interred at the National Cemetery at Arlington, this afternoon.

Lieutenant Carr was a great grandson of General Walter Keith Armistead, of the first class graduated from West Point, and was a nephew of General Lewis Armistcad, of the Confederate

### PREACHERS CONFER DEGREE.

Those of an Eastern Shore County Honor One of Their Number. The fact that a number of ministers in

The fact that a number of ministers in one of the Eastern Shore counties recently met and conferred the degree of D. D. upon one of their number has been the subject of much interest in ministerial circles here.

When the report was first received here it was regarded as a joke, but it is now said to have been a serious and bonafide proceeding.

Such honors have usually been conferred by educational institutions through their ards of trustees.

#### GOT TWO YEARS APIECE.

Roans Both Sent to Penitentiary for Two Years.

Years.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)

STORMONT. VA., Nov. 29.—County Court, which has been in session since Wednesday at 10 o'clock, adjourned this evening at 3:30. Judge Garnett soon brushed away routine business and went into the trial of Erastus White, Rown and Richard Roan, all colored, indicted jointly for breaking open and attempting to pull down a dwelling of Isaac Candle (colored) on the night of September 20th. The jury was only out about ten minutes, and they gave each of the prisoners two years in the penitentiary. This is the second term of Roan's, though he is quite a young negro.

# JULIAN KIETH SERIOUSLY HURT

Struck by a Rock Thrown Into the Train and His Skull Fractured.

(Special Dispatch to The Thines.)
CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., Nov. 29.—
Jul an Keith, a nephew of Judge Keith,
of the Court of Appeals of Virginia, was taken from the Southern train, north-bound, which reached here at 5 o'clock this afternoon, and placed in the hospital of the University of Virginia, where a serious wound, received from a missile thrown into the train about thirty miles south of the city, was dresse. The missle shattered two windows of the coach and fractured Mr. Keith's skull,

inflicting a very grave, though not nec-essar ly fatal injury.

He has regained consciousness.

### VETERANS HONOR MISS HETH.

She is Given a Cordial Feception by Lee Camp.

Lee Camp held its regular meeting last night, with Commander Joseph ... Dickerson in the chair. After the transaction of routine business Miss Nannie Heth, daughter of Major-General Harry Heth, was introduced to the camp by Mrs. N. V. Randolph. The camp took a recess for the members to be introfive minutes for the members to be intro-queed personally to Miss Heth. A num-ber of the Daughters of the Confederacy were present to greet Miss Heth. the members after adjournment

signed their name on the register under the name of Miss Heth, and the page was kept as a souvenir of her visit. Short talks were made by Dr. James Power Smith and Captain T. C. Mor It was stated that Grand Commander Thomas W. Smith would visit the camp on next Friday night, and George E. Pickett Camp was invited to be present.

### FIRE AT A. AND M. COLLEGE. Watauga Hall Destroyed-Favorable Wida

Alone Saved Cther Bui'dings.

(By Associated Press.)

RALEIGH, N. C., Nov. 29.—At 11: o'clock to-night the Watauga Hall, one of the buildings of the Agricultural and Mechanical College, which served for dining-room, kitchen and dormitory for fifty students, was discovered to be on fire. students, was discovered to be on fire students, was discovered to be on fire. At 11:30 Raleigh's Fire Department was asked for assistance, and responded promptly. The water supply was limited, the college being out of the city limits, and but for a favorable wind the entire college would have been destroyed. The Watauga Hall alone was destroyed, entailing a loss of \$10,000 insurance. \$5,000. Fifty students, occupying the building, lost all their effects, and as the college has no vacant rooms in the main dormitory, will have to return to their homes.

### SECRETARY OF WAR IS ON HIS EAR

Writes Sharp Letter to Cuban Official.

ELECTION METHODS.

It Was Alleged That U. S. Officers Were Interfering.

MR. ROOT SAYS IT IS NOT TRUE

Says it is Quite Unnecessary to Assume That the Officials of This Government Will Be Less Falthful to Their Duty in the Luture Than They Have Been in

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 29 .- Secretary Root to-day addressed a communication to Elljah Bonachea, president of the convention at Hayana, Cuba, that nominated Bartholomo Maso for president, relative to complaints that United States authorities were interfering in the Cuban elections.

A press dispatch from Havana stated that Maso complained that the influence of United States officers was being exerted in favor of Estrada Palma, and a dispatch from Bonachea to the Secretary implied the same thing. Following is the Secretary's communication to Senor Bon-

Washington, D. C., Nov. 29th.
"Sir.—I have the honor to acknowledge
the receipt of your dispatch of November 26th, saving:

"The National Convention of Havana, which has proclaimed General Maso can-didate for the presidency of the future republic of Cuba, respectfully asks you to recommend to the representatives of the intervening government the strictest impartiality in the electorate contest which is now taking place

KNOW THEIR DUTY.
"The representatives of the intervening government in Cuba are already aware that their duty required them not merely to be strictly impartial in the electoral contest in Cuba, but to refrain from interfering in any manner whatever with the free expression of the wishes of the Cuban people at the polls. They have not violated this rule in the past and will not in the future. They will have nothing to do with the electoral contest. except to enforce the electoral law pre-scribed by the Constitutional Convention and promulgated by the military governor on the 14th of October.

on the lith of October, 26
"It is quite unnecessary to assume that
the officials of this government will be
less faithful to their duty hereafter than
they have been in the past or to recommend or direct that they shall perform a duty which they are already perform-

### CAUSE OF WABASH WRECK.

Engineer of Irain Number Four Evidently Misuaderstood Orders.

(By Associated Press)
DETROIT, MICH., Nov. 29.—Conductors
G. J. Martin, of Wabash train No. 4, which collided with train No. 13, near Seneca Wednesday night, causing the loss of about eighty lives, said to-day that the orders given him at Montpeller were to pass No. 13 at Seneca

Engineer Strong and read over to him

and which agreed with his orders, read: 'No. 4, engine 69, will meet No. 13, engines 88 and 151, at Seneca, and No. 3, engine 625, at Sand Creek.' After receiving these orders I remember asking the agent at Montpelier whether the new agent at Montpeller whether the new siding at Seneca would contain my train. "I was toward the rear of the chaircar fixing up a passenger's ticket when I saw the station light of Seneca flash by and immediately felt the air brako applied. I felt no alarm, supposing the engineer was slowing down for the east the numbers of

switch, in order to see the numbers thirteen's engines, which I supposed had cleared. "Just then, the brakentan, who had been on the lookout, came hurrying arto the chair car and pulled the cord twice. What is it. Tony? I called, 'We ar-going through Seneca,' he answered, and

going through Seneca, he answered, that an instant later the crash came."

This bears out Superintendent Burne' statement that Engineer Strong, of No. 4, either mistook or forzot his orders, and rain by Seneca, where he was ordered to pass No. 13.
When Conductor Martin's statement

was repeated to Engineer Strong liter, the engineer said:
"I have not denied at any time that we received such an order. I only say that if we did get such an order I misread and misunderstood it, and that It should have been set right by the conductor. My fireman will tell you that he, too, understood that we were to meet both trains at Sand Creek, instead of at

"If I made an error, I was not alone to blame. The other three members of the crew must have understood as I dif, or else they would have corrected me."

### SWITCHMEN'S STRIKE.

Traffic Not Se lously Interrupted Save on One Road.

(By Associated Press.)
PITTSBURG, PA., Nov. 29.—Traffic was
not interrupted in a marked degree by the switchmen's strike to-day on any of the railroads save on the Allegheny Valley. This road is still bodly cripoled and as a consequence several industrial plants along the Allegheny River were compelled to temporarily suspend tions owing to their supply of coal being exhausted. The strikers maintain that they are

gaining ground.

Continental Dividend. (By Associated Press,)
NEW YORK, Nov. 29,—The directors of
the Continental Tobacco Company have

declared a dividend of 2 per cent. on the common stock, besides the regular, dividend of 1 3-1 on the preferred stock. This is the first dividend on the common

stock which has been exchanged for the collateral bonds of the Consolidated tory, will have to return to their homes. | Company.

expressing sympathy for one in claim in their opinion well-founded.